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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

**Houghton, M. et al.**

Serial No.: 08/441,443

Groups Art Unit: 1631

Filed: May 15, 1995

Examiner: Zeman, M.

For: **NANBV DIAGNOSTICS AND VACCINES**

**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

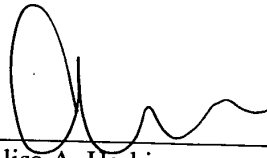
Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the appropriate non-small-entity fee for the requested three-month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(3).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1664. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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